

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A computer software product comprising a computer readable storage medium having a computer program which when loaded into a computer having a searchable database running thereon causes the computer to perform the following steps:
 - a) providing a first display screen having a plurality of first selection items;
 - b) enabling a user to select one of said first selection items, which results in a second display screen having a plurality of second selection items;
 - c) enabling said user to choose one of the said second selection items for entering into a database or going to a next display screen for presenting a next set of selection items; and
 - d) enabling said user to repeat step (c) until a selection has been made for entering at least one of said selection items into a predetermined field of said database.
2. A computer software product according to claim 1, wherein said selection items are selection buttons.
3. A computer software product according to claim 1, wherein said selection items are linked text blocks.
4. A computer software product according to claim 1, wherein said selection items are linked regions on a screen.
5. A computer software product according to claim 1, wherein at least one said selection items is labeled with a text label.
6. A computer software product according to claim 1, wherein at least one of said selection items is labeled with a graphic image.

7. A method of entering data into a searchable database running on a computer, comprising the steps of:

- a) providing a first display screen having a plurality of first selection items;
- b) selecting one of said first selection items, which results in a second display screen having a plurality of second selection items;
- c) choosing one of the said second selection items for entering into a database or going to a next display screen for presenting a next set of selection items; and
- d) repeating step (c) until a selection has been made for entering a selection item into a predetermined field of said database.

8. The method of claim 7 wherein step (d) further comprises entering more than one selection item into the same said predetermined field of said database.

9. The method of claim 7 wherein said step (b) further comprises selecting said selection item using a mouse.

10. The method of claim 7 wherein said step (b) further comprises selecting said selection item using a touch screen.

11. The method of claim 7 wherein said step (b) further comprises selecting said selection item using voice recognition.

12. A system for entering data into a searchable database running on a computer, said system having at least one hierarchical data entry path, said path comprising at least two data entry levels, wherein each said level

has a plurality of selection items, one of said selection items being used for selecting said second level.

13. The system of claim 12 wherein said selected selection item is entered into a predetermined data field of said database.

14. The system of claim 12 wherein a second selection item is entered in said predetermined data field.

15. The system of claim 12 wherein said selection items comprise an icon with a graphical representation thereon.

16. The system of claim 12 wherein said selection items comprise an icon with a text descriptor thereon.

17. The system of claim 12 wherein said computer further comprises a PDA.

18. The system of claim 12 wherein said computer further comprises a processing unit running said database and a wireless remote data entry device for entry of data into said processing unit.

19. A computer software product for data entry into a real estate database comprising a computer readable storage medium having a computer program which when loaded into a computer having a searchable database running thereon causes the computer to perform the following steps:

a) providing a first display screen having a plurality of first selection items relating to features of a real estate property;

b) enabling a user to select one of said first selection items, which results in a second display screen having a plurality of second selection items;

c) enabling said user to choose one of the said second selection items for entering into a database or going to a next display screen for presenting a next set of selection items; and

d) enabling said user to repeat step (c) until a selection has been made for entering at least one of said selection items into a predetermined field of said real estate database.

20. A method of entering data into a searchable real-estate database running on a computer, comprising the steps of:

a) providing a first display screen having a plurality of first selection items relating to features of a real estate property;

b) selecting one of said first selection items, which results in a second display screen having a plurality of second selection items;

c) choosing one of the said second selection items for entering into a database or going to a next display screen for presenting a next set of selection items; and

d) repeating step (c) until a selection has been made for entering a selection item into a predetermined field of said real estate database.

21. A data entry device for entering data into a searchable database running on a computer, comprising:
a data entry module having a user interface displaying at least one hierarchical data entry path, said path comprising at least two data entry levels, wherein each said level has a plurality of selection items, one of said selection items being used for selecting said second level;

a digital image capture and storage module able to capture and store a plurality of images; and

a processor able to tag at least one of said stored images as being associated with at least one of said selection items.

22. A data entry device according to claim 21 wherein said data entry device comprises a digital camera.

23. A method of entering data using a digital camera that is to be downloaded into a searchable database running on a computer, comprising the steps of:

- a) capturing an image using said digital camera;
- b) entering a selection item into a predetermined field of said database from a first set of selection items for said digital image; and
- c) down loading said digital images and associated data into said database.

24. The method according to claim 23 further comprising repeating step (b) until a selection has been made for entering a selection item into a predetermined field of said database.

25. The method of claim 23 wherein step (b) further comprises entering more than one selection item into the same said predetermined field of said database.